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SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT NO.

COUNTRY Eastern Germany

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

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EVALUATION see below

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DATE OF CONTENT 8 August to 19 September 1953

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DATE PREPARED 7 October 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Troop trains listed in railroad records on 14 and 15 September 1953 included: a train of 3 boxcars and 37 flatcars, from Altengrabow to Brandenburg on 14 September; and another train of 9 boxcars and 18 flatcars, from Brandenburg to Altengrabow, on 15

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2. The following troop trains were identified from railroad records between 15 and 19 September:

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Date in September	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
15	9 boxcars and 18 flatcars	Brandenburg	Altengrabow
16	9 boxcars and 9 flatcars	Rathenow	Dresden
18	8 boxcars and 20 flatcars	Altengrabow	Brandenburg
19	6 boxcars and 27 flatcars	Neubukow	Wuensdorf
	14 boxcars and 36 flatcars	"	"

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3. The following troop trains were observed between 16 and 19 September:

During the night of 16 September: A train of express coaches with about 170 air force officers from Dangarten to Frankfurt/Oder via Stralsund.⁴

On 17 September: A train of about 10 boxcars and 20 SSy-type flatcars with soldiers, vehicles and canvas-covered tanks from Neubukow to Frankfurt/Oder via Stralsund.

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On 18 September. A train of 15 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars with soldiers, vehicles and about eight AA guns from Neubukow to Frankfurt/Oder.

During the night of 18 September. A train with tanks, and two trains with artillery pieces, probably AA guns, from Neubukow to Frankfurt/Oder via Neubrandenburg.

On 19 September. A train with soldiers, armored scout cars and AT guns from Neubukow to Frankfurt/Oder via Stralsund.

On 17, 18 and 19 September, the Stralsund railroad station was covered by a guard detail of air force and navy personnel. Railroadmen stated that, during the previous days, several troop trains from Neubukow to Frankfurt/Oder passed through Neubrandenburg and Stralsund.

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Troop trains from the direction of Schwerin toward Frankfurt/Oder passing through the Neubrandenburg railroad station on 17 and 18 September included: a train of 20 boxcars and 40 flatcars with soldiers, 8 artillery pieces of about 60 mm, 39 trucks, and 1 radio truck on 17 September; and a train of 20 boxcars and 40 flatcars with soldiers, 8 artillery pieces of about 60 mm, 39 trucks and 1 radio truck; and another train of 20 boxcars and 40 flatcars with soldiers, 11 AT guns, 39 trucks, and 1 radio truck on 18 September.

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On 16 September, an express train, probably from Brest Litovsk, arrived at Neubrandenburg. Four express coaches carried about 240 troops with blue epaulets who left the train and marched toward Trollenhagen. Another six express coaches proceeded toward Demmin.

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Troop trains from Falkenberg to Brand airfield listed in railroad records between 8 and 11 August included:

Date in August	Composition of Troop Trains
8	20 boxcars, 16 flatcars and 2 tank cars
	26 boxcars, 7 flatcars and 3 tank cars
9	22 boxcars, 19 flatcars and 2 tank cars
10	10 boxcars and 14 flatcars
11	15 boxcars and 18 flatcars

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Comment. Except for the troop train [redacted] the other trains have been used in the rotation of the 124th Hv How Arty Brig (US) and have been repeatedly confirmed. [redacted]

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- 25X1A2. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop train was previously confirmed. [REDACTED] 25X1A
- [REDACTED]
- 25X1A3. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop trains probably carried contingents of the 2nd Gds AAA Div which returned from Wustrow. 25X1A
- 25X1A4. [REDACTED] Comment. Fighter regiments are stationed at Damgarten and Neu-brandenburg. Probably an air force personnel exchange.
- 25X1 5. [REDACTED] Comment. Components of the 32nd AAA Div (US) probably returned from Wustrow to Frankfurt/Oder on three troop trains. On 19 August 1953, these units moved to Wustrow on the troop trains [REDACTED] 25X1A
- 25X1A [REDACTED] In 1952, the vacating of the Wustrow AAA Range also started in mid-September. See also [REDACTED] Comment 3. 25X1A
- 25X1A6. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop trains [REDACTED] were previously reported. [REDACTED] 25X1A 25X1A

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